ABSTRACT

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A biometric data card includes an image sensor for capturing an image of a biometric feature of a user of the biometric data card and producing first image data representing the image. The biometric data card compares the first image data to second image data stored within the biometric data card to authenticate the user. The biometric data card is usable with a terminal including a slot for receiving the biometric data card. The terminal can further include an optical element optically coupled to direct the image onto the image sensor of the biometric data card.